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Art Unit	2871
Examiner Name	Nguyen Hoan Co.
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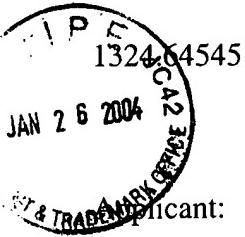
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Sir:

In response to the paper dated December 4, 2003, Applicants are filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), as suggested by the Examiner on page 2 of December 4, 2003 paper. Accordingly, Amendment E should be entered; and Claims 3, 6 and 13-15 should be examined.

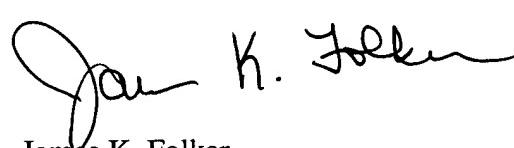
Applicants have filed the enclosed RCE in order to expedite prosecution, even though Applicants still believe that the election of species requirement was improper, and that Applicants' response filed on September 11, 2002 was a proper response.

Applicants request examination of the claimed invention. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would aid in the prosecution of the application, or that outstanding issues exist, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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